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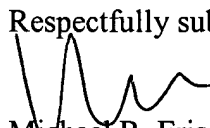
Attorney for Applicant has carefully reviewed the outstanding Office Action on the above-identified application. Applicant has amended the application, as set forth herein, and respectfully submits that the application, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended in a telephone interview to discuss the claims. The Examining Attorney agreed that by amending claim 1 to replace the words "fitting about" with encircle in lines 3 and 6, claim 1 would be patentable over the cited reference. Applicant has so amended claim 1. Applicant has amended claim 20 to add the material indicated as allowable in claim 21. Applicant has added claim 23 to cover the allowable material in claims 20 and 22. Applicant has amended claim 21 to depend from claim 23. Claims 1-23 are pending. Claims 5-9 have already been allowed. Claims 2-4, 21 and 22 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

All issues raised in the Office Action are believed to be addressed. Claims 1, 20 and 21 have been amended. New claim 23 has been added. Claims 1-23 are pending in this application, and are in condition for allowance. No new matter is believed to have been added. Re-examination is requested and favorable action solicited.

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